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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: ) PATENT  
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A LID FOR CLOSING A )  
CONTAINER )

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Washington, D.C.  
September 18, 2001

Honorable Director for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Concurrently with the U.S. national phase filing of this application, please amend this application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-18 without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter recited therein.

Please insert new claims 19-36 as follows:

--19. A lid for closing a container, which has a neck with means for securing the lid, wherein an outer lid consists of a top part and a cylindrical collar, which has means on the inner side for securing the lid on the neck of the container, and wherein an inner lid is provided between the outer lid and the upper edge of the container